

In the Claims:

We claim:

1. (currently amended) [[Wound]] A wound dressing for covering bleeding wounds, said wound dressing being ~~present as a~~ ready-made product and comprising a carrier material containing a compound selected from the group consisting of adrenaline [[or]] and one of [[its]] the pharmaceutically acceptable salts of adrenaline, wherein said compound is a vasoconstrictive medicinal substance.

2. (currently amended) [[Wound]] The wound dressing according to claim 1, wherein characterised in that the carrier material contains at least one further vasoconstrictive medicinal substance selected from the group consisting of the sympathomimetics.

3. (currently amended) [[Wound]] The wound dressing according to claim 1, wherein any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that the carrier material further contains, in addition, at least one substance selected from the group consisting of an astringent substance and or/and a haemostatic substance.

4. (currently amended) [[Wound]] The wound dressing according to claim 1, wherein any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that the carrier material contains at least one further active substance ~~which promotes~~ for promoting wound healing but [[has]] having no vasoconstrictive effect.

5. (currently amended) [[Wound]] The wound dressing according to claim 4, wherein said at least one characterised in that the further active substance(s) ~~is/are~~ substance is selected from the group ~~comprising~~ consisting of amino acids, ~~especially glycine, as well as~~ peptides, enzymes, lymphokines, coagulation factors, anti-inflammatory substances, vitamins, polysaccharides and skin caring substances.

6. (currently amended) [[Wound]] The wound dressing according to claim 1, wherein any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that the carrier material is selected from the group ~~comprising~~ consisting of wovens, interlaced yarns, [[or]] crocheted fabrics, knit fabrics, nonwovens, papers, absorbent gauze, wadding, [[and]] compresses, ~~as well as~~ and combinations of the ~~afore-mentioned~~ said materials, ~~with cotton fabrics, viscose fabrics, cotton-viscose blended fabrics, synthetic fibre wovens, synthetic fibre nonwovens, cotton wadding and viscose wadding, and gauze wadding~~ compresses being especially preferred.

7. (currently amended) [[Wound]] The wound dressing according to claim 6, wherein characterised in that the carrier material has a low peroxide content, ~~the~~

peroxide number not exceeding the value 10.

8. (currently amended) ~~[[Wound]]~~ The wound dressing according to claim 1, ~~wherein any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that~~ the carrier material contains at least one additive~~[[,]]~~ selected from the group ~~comprising~~ consisting of disinfectants, antioxidants, preservatives and moisture-absorbing substances.

9. (currently amended) ~~Adhesive~~ An adhesive wound dressing for covering bleeding wounds, comprising an active substance-containing carrier material containing a compound selected from the group consisting of adrenaline and one of the pharmaceutically acceptable salts of adrenaline according to any one of the preceding claims 1 to 8, a backing layer connected with the carrier material, and a detachable protective layer, the surface area of the backing layer being larger than ~~[[that]]~~ the surface area of the carrier material, and at least that wherein an adhesive surface comprises the surface area region of the backing layer which projects beyond the surface area of the carrier material being equipped with an adhesive surface.

10. (currently amended) ~~Adhesive~~ The adhesive wound dressing according to claim 9, ~~wherein characterised in that the~~ said adhesive surface of the backing layer projects beyond the carrier material on all sides ~~and forms to form~~ an adhesive margin.

11. (currently amended) ~~Adhesive~~ The adhesive wound dressing according to claim 9, ~~wherein or 10, characterised in that the~~ said backing layer is ~~made from~~ comprises a material selected from the group consisting of a rigid material, a ~~[[or]]~~ flexible material, ~~[[or]]~~ an elastic material, in particular of a metal foil or a plastic film, or of and a composite material comprising at least which is made up of two or more of said rigid, flexible and elastic the mentioned materials; metallised polymer films, preferably polymer films metallised with aluminium, being particularly preferred.

12. (currently amended) ~~Adhesive~~ The adhesive wound dressing according to claim 9, ~~wherein a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer comprising a polymer matrix having at least one additive forms one of any one of the preceding claims,~~ ~~characterised in that the~~ said adhesive surface ~~[[or the]]~~ and said adhesive margin is formed by a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer preferably consisting of a polymer matrix which may contain one or more additives.

13. (currently amended) ~~Adhesive~~ The adhesive wound dressing according to claim 12, ~~wherein characterised in that the~~ polymer matrix contains one of a pressure-sensitive adhesive base polymer ~~[[or]]~~ and a combination of at least two pressure-

sensitive adhesive base polymers, the polymer(s) ~~preferably~~ being selected from the group ~~comprising~~ consisting of natural rubber, synthetic rubber, poly(meth)acrylic acid, poly(meth)acrylates, poly(meth)acrylate copolymers and combinations thereof of said polymers.

14. (currently amended) ~~Adhesive~~ The adhesive wound dressing according to claim 12, ~~wherein or 13, characterised in that~~ the polymer matrix contains at least one ~~or more additives~~ additive selected from the group consisting of ~~[[the]]~~ plasticisers, tackifiers, stabilisers, carrier substances and fillers.

15. (currently amended) ~~Wound dressing or~~ The adhesive wound dressing according to claim 9, wherein any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that it said adhesive wound dressing is singly packed in an oxygen-impervious packaging material and is ~~preferably, in addition,~~ protected against the action of light.

16. (currently amended) ~~Process~~ A process for producing the production of a wound dressing according to claim 1 or an adhesive wound dressing according to claim 9 any one of the preceding claims, the process at least comprising at least the following steps of:

- a) degassing a defined amount of a solvent or solvent mixture~~[[,]]~~ by using a light-impermeable vessel, or selecting and providing a solvent or solvent mixture which does not adversely affect the stability of a medicinal substance that is instable in the presence of oxygen;
- b) adding a defined amount of ~~[[the]]~~ a vasoconstrictive medicinal substance selected from the group consisting of adrenaline ~~[[or]]~~ and one of ~~[[its]]~~ the pharmaceutically acceptable salts of adrenaline;
- c) dissolving the medicinal ~~substance(s)~~ substance in the solvent or solvent mixture;
- d) removing a partial amount of the solution and dripping the ~~[[same]]~~ solution onto ~~the said~~ a carrier material;
- e) drying and removing the solvent or solvent mixture; and
- f) ~~if required,~~ repeating steps d) and e), if required.

17. (currently amended) ~~Process~~ The process according to claim 16, further comprising the step of adding ~~characterised in that~~ at least one further vasoconstrictive medicinal substance is added.

18. (currently amended) ~~Process~~ The process ~~for the manufacture of an adhesive wound dressing~~ according to claim 16, further any one of claims 9 to 15, said

~~process, in addition to the steps mentioned in claim 16, comprising the following steps of:~~

- g) ~~Sticking~~ sticking the carrier material containing the medicinal substance to ~~[[the]] an~~ adhesive surface of ~~the said a~~ backing layer; and
- h) covering the adhesive surface and the carrier material with ~~[[the]] a~~ detachable protective layer.

19. (currently amended) ~~Process~~ A process for ~~the production of~~ producing an adhesive wound dressing according to claim ~~any one of claims 9, [[to 15,]]~~ further comprising the ~~following~~ steps of:

- i) coating ~~[[the]] a~~ surface of a backing layer with a pressure-sensitive adhesive layer, or providing a backing layer ~~which comprises~~ having a pressure-sensitive adhesive surface;
- ii) applying or sticking ~~[[the]] a~~ carrier material to the adhesive surface of the backing layer;
- iii) preparing an active substance-containing solution and dripping ~~[[same]]~~ said solution onto ~~[[the]] a~~ carrier material, ~~as described in claim 16 to form an active substance-impregnated carrier material;~~ and
- iv) covering the active substance-impregnated carrier material and the adhesive surface of the backing layer with ~~[[the]] a~~ detachable protective film.

20. (currently amended) ~~Process~~ The process according to claim ~~[[18 or]]~~ 19, further comprising the ~~containing the following additional~~ steps of:

- ~~[[m]]~~ punching out individual surface pieces having a defined surface shape and surface size; and
- ~~[[n]]~~ packaging the individual surface pieces in one package per piece, the package ~~consisting of~~ comprising an oxygen-impervious and preferably also a light-impermeable packaging material.

21. (currently amended) ~~Process~~ The process according to claim 19, wherein ~~any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that the dripping step and drying is carried out under exclusion of air, preferably under protective gas.~~

22. (currently amended) ~~Process~~ The process according to claim 19, wherein ~~any one of the preceding claims, characterised in that the carrier material [[used]] has a low peroxide content, the peroxide number not exceeding the value 10.~~

23. (currently amended) Use of a wound dressing according to claim 1 or an adhesive wound dressing according to claim 19 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ for

~~treating the treatment of~~ bleeding wounds, ~~especially for the administration by administering [[of]]~~ adrenaline to bleeding wounds ~~for the purpose of stopping to stop~~ the bleeding.

24. (currently amended) Use of a vasoconstrictive medicinal substance for ~~producing the production of~~ a ready-made wound dressing or an adhesive wound dressing for ~~treating the treatment of~~ bleeding wounds, ~~by using wherein~~ adrenaline or one of ~~[[its]]~~ the pharmaceutically acceptable salts of adrenaline ~~is preferably used~~ as the medicinal substance.

25. (new) The wound dressing according to claim 5, wherein said amino acids are glycine.

26. (new) The wound dressing according to claim 6, wherein the carrier material is selected from the group consisting of cotton fabrics, viscose fabrics, cotton-viscose blended fabrics, synthetic fibre wovens, synthetic fibre nonwovens, cotton wadding, viscose wadding, and gauze-wadding compresses.

27. (new) The wound dressing according to claim 7, wherein the carrier material has a peroxide content not exceeding the value 10.

28. (new) The adhesive wound dressing according to claim 11, wherein said material is selected from the group consisting of a metal foil and a plastic film.

29. (new) The adhesive wound dressing according to claim 11, wherein said material is a metallised polymer film.

30. (new) The adhesive wound dressing according to claim 29, wherein said metallised polymer film is a polymer film metallised with aluminium.

31. (new) The wound dressing according to claim 1, wherein said wound dressing is singly packed in an oxygen-impervious packaging material and is protected against the action of light.

32. (new) The process according to claim 21, wherein the dripping and drying is carried out under protective gas.

33. (new) The process according to claim 16, wherein the dripping and drying steps are carried out under exclusion of air.

34. (new) The process according to claim 33, wherein the dripping and drying steps are carried out under protective gas.

35. (new) The process according to claim 22, wherein the carrier material has a peroxide number not exceeding the value 10.

36. (new) The process according to claim 16, wherein the carrier material has a

low peroxide content.

37. (new) The process according to claim 36, wherein the carrier material has a peroxide number not exceeding the value 10.